# P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the disabling effects of birth defects, arthritis and polio are of vital concern to the families of our community and,

WHEREAS, more than 250,000 children in the United States are born each year with a significant birth defect and,

WHEREAS, arthritis and the rheumatic diseases affect 11,000,000 Americans including 30,000 children and,

WHEREAS, thousands of past polic victims still need patient aid and,

WHEREAS, the great hope for prevention of these crippling diseases lies in an expanding, flexible and well-financed national medical research program and,

WHEREAS, thousands of victims of these three disabling diseases are in need of expert medical treatment and,

WHEREAS, help is needed to provide more skilled hands in research, medicine, nursing, occupational and physical therapy, medical social work and other health professions and,

WHEREAS, the role of the National Foundation as a voluntary health agency numbering hundreds of thousands of volunteers remains vital in a free and democratic societv,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARCHIE GUBBRUD, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of January, 1962 as

NEW MARCH OF DIMES MONTH

and urge everyone to support this urgent and important community fund-raising campaign to the fullest extent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 8th day of December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred sixty one.

Archie Gubbrud

ARCHIE GUBBRUD
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Essie Wiedenman

Essie Wiedenman
Secretary of State
By Alma Larson Asst.

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